

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listing of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A broadcasting method comprising the steps of:
broadcasting contents from a broadcaster along with a begin store command in a first time period to a receiving side, said begin store command causing said contents to be stored onto a storage medium at the receiving side; and
broadcasting a play command from the broadcaster in a second time period subsequent to said first time period to the receiving side after broadcasting the contents, said play command causing said contents stored on said storage medium to be retrieved for output of the contents.

2. (Original) A broadcasting method according to claim 1, wherein said contents broadcast in said first time period are encrypted, and wherein said play command broadcast in said second time period includes a decryption key for decrypting the encrypted contents.

3. (Original) A broadcasting method according to claim 1, wherein said contents broadcast in said first time period includes an identifier identifying said contents, and wherein said play command broadcast in said second time period

includes an identifier allowing said contents to be retrieved from said storage medium for output.

4. (Original) A broadcasting method according to claim 1, wherein said contents broadcast in said first time period include an end store command for terminating the storing of said contents onto said storage medium.

5. (Currently Amended) A broadcast receiver comprising:

a receiver which receives ~~for receiving~~ contents broadcasted from a broadcaster in a first time period along with a begin store command causing said contents to be stored, and then receives a play command broadcasted by the broadcaster in a second time period subsequent to said first time period, said play command causing the stored contents to be retrieved for output;

a storage medium which stores ~~for storing~~ said contents received; and

a processor which stores ~~for storing~~ said contents onto said storage medium in accordance with the received begin store command and retrieves ~~for retrieving~~ said contents from said storage medium for output when it finds the play command is received.

6. (Original) A broadcast receiver according to claim 5, wherein said contents broadcast in said first time period are encrypted, wherein said play command

broadcast in said second time period includes a decryption key for decrypting the encrypted contents, and wherein said processor retrieves the encrypted contents from said storage medium and decrypts the retrieved contents for output.

7. (Original) A broadcast receiver according to claim 5, wherein said contents broadcasted in said first time period and stored on said storage medium include a first identifier identifying said contents, wherein said play command includes a second identifier, and wherein said processor retrieves for playback said contents stored on said storage medium along with said first identifier if said first identifier coincides with said second identifier included in said play command.

8. (Original) A broadcast receiver according to claim 5, wherein said contents broadcasted in said first time period include an end store command for terminating the storing of said contents onto said storage medium, and wherein said processor terminates the storing of said contents onto said storage medium the moment said end store command is received.

9. (Original) A broadcast receiver according to claim 6, wherein said processor stores the received decryption key into a memory and deletes said decryption key from said memory after decrypting the encrypted contents using said decryption key.

10. (Currently Amended) A broadcasting method comprising the steps of:
broadcasting contents to be stored onto a storage medium at a receiving side
in a first time period; and

broadcasting a play command from the broadcaster in a second time period
subsequent to said first time period to the receiving side after broadcasting the
contents, said broadcasting play command causing said contents stored on said
storage medium to be output for playing.

11. (Currently Amended) A program stored on a computer readable storage
medium executing a contents playback method on a computer, comprising
instructions of:

finding a begin store command in a broadcast,

storing a contents subsequent to said broadcasted begin store command in a
storage medium at a receiving side,

finding a play command in a broadcast, said broadcasted play command
includes an identifier which identifies a contents broadcasted beforehand and stored
in said storage medium,

playing the contents identified with said broadcasted play command, from said
storage medium, when said broadcasted play command is found in the broadcast.

12. (Original) A program stored on a computer readable storage medium according to claim 11, wherein said contents broadcast are encrypted, and said play command broadcast includes a decryption key for decrypting the encrypted contents, and wherein said step for playing includes a step for decrypting the contents before playing.

13. (Original) A program stored on a computer readable storage medium according to claim 11, further comprising steps of:
finding an end store command in a broadcast; and
terminating the storing of contents onto said storage medium the moment said end store command is received.

14. (Original) A program stored on a computer readable storage medium according to claim 12, further comprising a step of deleting said decryption key after decrypting the encrypted contents.